

COMMENTS

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated March 31, 2005, having a shortened statutory period set to expire June 30, 2005. Proposed amendments are submitted for Claims 1, 7, 27 and 28, and Claims 3-4, 6, 9-10 and 12 are cancelled. Claims 1-2, 5, 7-8, 11 and 27-28 are now pending.

Applicants appreciate the teleconference held with the Examiner on Friday, May 27, 2005. During that teleconference, an agreement was reached that the cited prior art does not teach all of the claim limitations of previously submitted exemplary Claim 6, which depended on Claim 4, which depended on Claim 3, which depended on base Claim 1. Thus, Applicants now submit Amended Claim 1, which incorporates all of the features of Claims 3, 4 and 6. Similarly, the corresponding system Claim 7 has been amended to incorporate all of the features of dependent Claims 9, 10 and 12 (which have the same limitations as corresponding Claims 3, 4, and 6).

CONCLUSION

Having now complied with the suggestions of the Examiner, and as the cited prior art does not teach all of the limitations of the presently amended claims, Applicants respectfully request a Notice of Allowance for all pending claims.

If the Examiner would deem further telephone communication useful in promoting the presently pending claims to allowance, Applicants' undersigned representative would greatly appreciate a telephone call from the Examiner to 512.343.6116.

No extension of time for this response is believed to be necessary. However, in the event an extension of time is required, that extension of time is hereby requested. Please charge any fee associated with an extension of time as well as any other fee necessary to further the prosecution of this application to **IBM CORPORATION DEPOSIT ACCOUNT No. 09-0447**.

Respectfully submitted,



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